

**CUMBERLAND IMPROVEMENT**

Discussed at a Meeting Held at Burnside, Ky.

The Courier-Journal's Somerset special says: The citizens of Burnside entertained royally coal, timber and oil operators and others interested in the improvement of the Upper Cumberland river who were here to meet and confer with the Hon. R. B. Bishop, of Michigan, member of the Rivers and Harbors Committee. Luncheon was served on the steamer Burkesville, after which a trip was made down the river to the location of lock No. 22. The purpose of this conference was to impress upon the committee the advisability of completing lock No. 21, 236 miles above Nashville and 30 miles below Burnside, of which the engineer in charge of the work says, in a report to Congress, no single lock or any two or three locks in the Cumberland river system will do so much for the commerce of the upper Cumberland.

The completion of this lock will afford navigation from Burnside or Gainesboro, Tenn., all the year around, and give three feet additional water at Burnside, making a harbor into which will be accumulated during the summer season quantities of coal and timber for transportation to Nashville during the winter season. This improvement will afford all the year around water transportation to the commerce of 12 counties contiguous, containing an area of 45,000 square miles, and a population of 150,000, which productive territory is without railway facilities, depending upon reaching the Southern Railway at Burnside for the outgoing of products and the incoming of all needs. These conditions are believed to be sufficient to induce Congress to depart from the usual rule of river improvement, which is to begin at the mouth and work toward the source. The commerce of this vast region is constantly increasing, and it is urged will fully justify the expenditure of \$320,000, required to complete lock No. 21.

**Evansville Negro Rioter**

Goes to Penitentiary.

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 9.—The jury in the case of "Doc" Martin, a negro, charged with rioting in July last, returned a verdict of guilty this afternoon after being out ten minutes. The penalty if from two to ten years in the State prison.

**Judge Ira Julian Seriously Ill.**

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 9.—Judge Ira Julian, one of the most prominent attorneys at the Frankfort bar and a candidate for the nomination of Attorney General before the recent Democratic primary, is seriously ill with fever at his apartments on St. Clair street.

**Progressive Business Men**

count their advertising appropriation as an investment on which they draw their best dividends.

Money invested in good advertising is not an expenditure, it is an investment that is sure to pay big dividends, if carefully watched.

If a few hundred dollars each year is invested in good advertising will bring you more business than you can handle.

It is a good investment, a steady gain.

It is a good investment, a steady gain.

## MASONIC GRAND LODGE.

Hopkins County Delegates Will Go to Louisville Next Week.

**DELEGATES TO GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Masons will be held at Louisville Oct. 22 and 23 and the occasion promises to be most interesting to the thousands of Masons throughout the state.

The particular feature out of the ordinary routine will be the ceremony of dedicating the magnificent New Masonic Building, the new home of the Grand Lodge and of Kentucky Masons. In this ceremony Masons of all degrees will take part. The Knights Templar escort will be an imposing body of plumed Knights and the pomp and splendor of the occasion will be impressive. Prominent Masons from all sections will be there in addition to the regular delegates to the grand bodies. The full program has not yet been announced.

The annual meeting of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter will be held during the same time.

The following delegates will attend Grand Lodge from Hopkins county:

E. J. Phillips, Earlington; M. B. Ray, Hop Holeman, Ruby Laffoon and Tom O'Brien, Madisonville; W. T. Barron, Nebo; Lon Breshears, Dawson; Claude Sisk, Beulah.

The delegates to the Grand Royal Arch Chapter are E. J. Phillips, of Earlington chapter, and H. C. Moore, of Madisonville chapter.

The annual convocation of Kentucky Knights Templar is held in May of each year, but a goodly delegation of Sir Knights will be at the dedication.

The dedication of the new Temple will take place Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, will act as an escort to the Grand Lodge.

**KNIGHTS GO TO LEXINGTON.**

Grand Lodge to be Held in That City Oct. 27 to 29.

The Kentucky Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias will hold its annual sessions at Lexington, October 27 to 29. All railroads have granted special rates on account of this meeting, and a large attendance is anticipated. There is no better place in Kentucky for such a gathering than Lexington. The following are the delegates from Hopkins county lodges to the grand body and all are expected to attend the meeting.

Theo. Watts and Chas. Webb of Earlington will represent Victoria Lodge No. 81. Mrs. Watts will accompany her husband and they will visit Miss Sarah Watts, of North Vernon, Ind., while gone.

Sam Langley, W. C. Haywell and Harry Laffoon, of Madisonville, will represent Marion Lodge No. 100, that place.

**DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY.**

Annual Convention of Kentucky Division in Session at Owensboro.

The seventy-second convention of the Kentucky division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held at Owensboro, Ky., from October 15 to 17. The convention will be held at the Hotel Owensboro. The delegates from Hopkins county are Mrs. W. C. Haywell, of Madisonville, and Mrs. Harry Laffoon, of the same place.

**SYNOD OF KENTUCKY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**

One Hundred and Second Annual Meeting in Session at Hopkinsville.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Oct. 14.—The one hundred and second annual meeting of the Synod of Kentucky, Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, convened in this city yesterday and will continue through tomorrow. The meeting celebrates the ninetieth anniversary of the organization of the First Presbyterian church of Hopkinsville. The Louisville Presbytery also met here in annual session on Monday. The synod is considering the question of establishing a college for the higher education of women by the two synods of Kentucky. The Hopkinsville Presbyterian church was organized in 1813 by the Rev. Gideon Blackburn. The present minister is the Rev. Francis Lee Goff.

**TEACHERS WANTED.**

Positions for One Hundred and Fifty Males in the Philippines.

The Civil Service Commission has just received a call from the Philippine government for 150 male teachers, with salaries as follows: 25 at \$1,200; 70 at \$1,000, and 55 at \$900 per annum. It is desired to secure these teachers without unnecessary delay, and an examination will be held on October 19-20 in various cities. Examinations in Kentucky will be held at Louisville, Lexington and Paducah.

**West Point Favored as an Army Post.**

Camp Young, Howard, Ky., Oct. 10.—If West Point is made a permanent maneuver ground an army post will be established here. This will be necessary to take care of the reservation. Col. Wagner said today that it was impossible for him to say what the Government will do in regard to the purchase of the maneuver ground as a permanent site. He said that the ground is admirably suited to such purposes, and furnishes every variety of territory necessary, and added: "I do not know of a single objection that could now be advanced that would not disappear if the property were under Government control."

**Beat His Brains Out.**

A special from Flemingsburg, Ky., to the Times dated October 13 says:

A baseball game at Beechburg, in this county, Saturday afternoon ended in a fight which has resulted in one death and possibly another will follow. Howard Clark, the umpire, and Zeck Cline became engaged in a fight and Clark drew a knife and seriously cut Cline. Cline's father rushed in to separate the combatants and was struck on the head with a baseball bat in the hands, it is alleged, of Ben Walton, a brother-in-law of Clark.

Cline's brains oozed from his ears and he never gained consciousness, dying at 11 o'clock that night. Clark is under arrest, but Walton escaped and is hiding in the mountains in the eastern part of the county. The sheriff has gone after him.

Cline, the dead man, was highly respected citizen and a great deal of indignation exists over the killing. Young Cline is seriously cut.

Miss Catherine Brown, wife of David H. Brown, of Evansville, has been selected by the Republican State Committee of Kentucky to take the place of Judge W. M. Bookner, candidate for Attorney General, who has been turned to resign from the office because of illness. Miss Brown is a Kentucky woman, having been born in this state.

## VANDALISM RAMPANT.

The Hoodlum Element of Earlington Gets In Its Work On New School Building.

A REWARD OF TEN DOLLARS OFFERED FOR PERPETRATORS.

For some time past a certain element of this city have been breaking the windows and otherwise defacing the beautiful temple of learning recently erected at great cost. With a spirit of wanton malice born of the devil these night prowling sneak thieves, these embryo vandals with anarchist tendencies, under cover of night hurl rocks through the lower windows and in various other ways attempt to deface and destroy the best public building in our city and the one we take pride in. Only a few nights since some kindred spirits forced an entrance through a broken window and used one of the rooms to indulge a drunken orgie, leaving as evidence seven empty beer bottles and part of a deck of cards. Tuesday night some graceless scoundrel broke into the building and turned on the water, flooding a basement play room. Such work as this is a deep and lasting disgrace to any civilized community and the sooner we search out these degenerates and turn them over to justice the sooner these high handed outrages will cease. Any man or boy who wantonly and maliciously destroys public property would if they were not prohibited by fear commit graver crimes. It is the duty of all citizens to assist in any manner they can in ascertaining who are responsible for these frequent outrages and whoever they are they should be punished to the full extent of the law.

The following offer of reward has been authorized by the Earlington School Board:

**TEN DOLLARS REWARD.**

A reward of \$10.00 will be paid for the arrest and conviction of anyone guilty of defacing or damaging or breaking into the Earlington Public School building.

PAUL M. MOORE, Chairman School Board.

**Only His Watch Missing.**

"There is an old negro living in Carrollton," says the Bosworth Star-Sentinel, "who became sick several days ago and called in a physician of his race to prescribe for him. But the old man did not seem to get any better, and finally a white physician was called. Soon after arriving the white doctor felt the negro's pulse for a moment and then examined his tongue. 'Did your doctor take your temperature?' he asked. 'I don't know, sah,' he answered, feebly. 'I hain't missed anything but my watch yit, boss.'"

**Senator Sam Crumbaker**

to Speak in Kentucky.

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 9.—State Senator Samuel Crumbaker, of Evansville, has been selected by the Republican State Committee of Kentucky to take the place of Judge W. M. Bookner, candidate for Attorney General, who has been turned to resign from the office because of illness. Senator Crumbaker is a Kentucky man, having been born in this state.

**Todd-Browning.**

Mr. Werd Todd and Miss Nannie Browning, both of this city, were married at Madisonville Sunday by Rev. Gatlin, the Baptist minister of that place, at his residence. Mr. Todd is employed in the store of W. C. McLeod, one of the leading merchants of this place, and is a young man who has many friends and few enemies. Miss Browning is a daughter of C. M. Browning and is a deserving young lady. The many friends of the young couple wish them all the joy and happiness that can be crowded in a life time.

**W. C. T. U. Meeting.**

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. last Monday afternoon at the charming home of Mrs. McGary, was pronounced by all a most enjoyable one. An interesting program had been arranged which did much for the success of the meeting. Another name was added to the list of members with good prospects for others in the near future.

The time of meeting was changed from Monday to Tuesday. The next meeting will be at home of the President, Mrs. Kate Withers on Tuesday, October 26 at half past two o'clock.

**Off for a Cruise on Green River.**

A party of Dawsonians bought a steam launch which was shipped to Rockport yesterday from which point they will take a cruise up Green river on a fishing expedition. They will go from there to Rockport and then take a trip to Mammoth Cave. The boat has been christened "Thelma," and the crew is composed of the following: T. E. Lutz, skipper; Dr. R. H. Perry, first mate; Iva Miffin, second mate and John Hoover, steward.

**Charlie Webb Builds.**

Charlie Webb, one of Earlington's nicest young men, is building a home on railroad street beyond the house recently erected by Jno. Rule. It will be a neat cottage with all convenience when completed. Chas. says there is no significance in the fact that he is erecting a dwelling, but his friends say it has a suspicious look to say the least of it.

**Is Improving.**

Tom O'Brien, the business manager of the Hustler, who was injured last week by falling from a ladder while gathering peaches, is improving nicely and will be able to attend to his duties in a few days.

**Louisville Tobacco Market.**

Louisville, Ky., October 13.—Offerings: Burley, 5 hogheads; dark 66; total, 71. Original inspections, 65 hogheads; reviews, 6. Only three houses held sales today. Offerings were light, but five hogheads of Burley being up. The dark market ruled strong on the best grades, while common types were dull and sluggish.

Dark—Trash, \$4.25@5.00; common leaf, \$5.50@6.50; good leaf, 7.75@9.25; common lugs, 4.75@5.25; good lugs, \$5.50@6.50.

**JIM WILL ANDERSON.**

Jury Satisfied With the Alibi in Family Testimony.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Oct. 8.—The jury in the case of the commonwealth against Jim Will Anderson, charged with shooting with intent to kill from ambush upon non-union miners going to their work at the Empire mines, returned a verdict of not guilty Wednesday afternoon. The testimony of Anderson and his family that he was at home when the shooting occurred established an alibi in the minds of the jury.

Anderson was tried last spring with John Woodruff and Francis Drake on the charge of murdering Deputy Sheriff Robt. H. Coffey. He was cleared by the jury and Woodruff and Drake were sentenced to the penitentiary for life. This case has been taken to the court of appeals.

President Roosevelt will on Oct. 20 issue a call for the extra session of Congress, to convene on November 2nd.

People as the result of the recent cold are causing a great deal of damage in New York, and the authorities are watching.

## THE COFFEY MURDER CASE.

Jim Merical and "Tandy Pap" Are on Trial at Hopkinsville.

THE JURY IS BEING SELCTED.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Oct. 13.—The trial of Jim Merical and John Black, alias Tandy Pap, for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Robert H. Coffey during the troublous period of the strike at the Empire mines in October 1901, is in progress. Special Judge John Phelps is presiding. The regular jury panel was exhausted and only one juror accepted and a special venire of 220 names has been summoned by the Sheriff. The prosecution will introduce testimony to show that Merical and Black were members of a party of strikers who left the union camp at Nortonville the night before the killing of the officer and proceeded to a point near the Empire mines and fired on the nonunion miners on their way to work. While retreating it is alleged they were overtaken by Deputy Sheriff Coffey, who was riding a horse and they assassinated him. The defense will endeavor to establish an alibi for the defendants.

At the murder trial last spring John Woodruff and Francis Drake were found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary. Their case has been taken to the Court of Appeals.

There are numerous witnesses on both sides. The attorneys for the prosecution are Commonwealth's Attorney Howell, County Attorney Anderson, Hunter Wood & Son, and Judge Willis L. Reeves.

The defense is represented by W. H. Yost, Southall & Son, C. H. Bush and J. T. Hanberry.

**Mr. Yerkes Coming.**

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—Commissioner Yerkes left for Kentucky this afternoon. His first speech will be delivered at Cynthiana on Thursday afternoon, instead of at Lexington on Wednesday. He will speak on Monday afternoon at Lexington with Secretary Shaw of the Treasury. The change of dates was made late yesterday because it was feared the races would interfere with the meeting. Before leaving for Kentucky Mr. Yerkes said:

"From the reports that reach me from Kentucky, I am very hopeful and believe that the Republican ticket has an excellent chance of winning, notwithstanding the existing election law."

**BOND REFUSED WITHERSPOON.**

Motion for Change of Venue for Lindle Overruled. Case Postponed Until February Term of Court.

In the case of J. B. Lindle and Elmer Witherspoon for the killing of Jesse Burton, on July 4th last, a change of venue was denied Mr. Lindle, and the case continued until the February term of court. Attorney Locket, of Henderson, made a strong fight for a change of venue, but was unsuccessful. Witherspoon, through his attorneys, made application for bail, which was refused. This case will be carried to the Court of Appeals.

A Bellevue, Ky., couple, who keeping their marriage secret for two years, has just announced that they are man and wife.